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# ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

## Organization of work of the session

Note by the secretariat

1. The draft organization of work for the fourth session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development, annexed to the present note, has been prepared to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within the time-frame available and in accordance with the conference services allocated to the Commission.

2. The draft is based on the provisional agenda for the current session, which was adopted by the Commission at its third session and approved by the Economic and Social Council at its 1997 substantive session in decision 1997/306. The provisional agenda is circulated under E/CN.16/1999/1.

3. The time-table below should be considered indicative. Should the Commission complete the general discussion on an item before the date shown, it might wish to move immediately to the next item.

4. The Commission is scheduled to meet from Monday to Friday, 17 to 21 May 1999. Arrangements have been made to hold morning and afternoon meetings during the session. The morning meetings will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the afternoon meetings from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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## Annex 1

## PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF WORK

The proposed organization of work for the fourth session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development is as follows:

Monday, 17 May

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| a.m. | Item 1 | Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters |
| | Item 2 | Substantive theme: Science and technology partnerships and networking for national capacity-building |
| | | - *Introduction and general discussion* |
| p.m. | Item 2 | Substantive theme: Science and technology partnerships and networking for national capacity-building- *Conclusion of general discussion* |
| | | - *Informal consultations* |

Tuesday, 18 May

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| a.m. | Item 3 | Panel on Biotechnology |
| | | - *Introduction and general discussion*<br>- *Informal consultations* |
| p.m. | Item 4 | Common vision on the future of science and technology for development |
| | | - *Introduction and general discussion*<br>- *Informal consultations* |

Wednesday, 19 May

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| a.m. | Item 5 | Budget and inter-sessional activities of the Commission |
| | | - *Introduction and general discussion*<br>- *Informal consultations* |
| | Item 6 | Coalition of resources |
| | | - *Introduction and general discussion*<br>- *Informal consultations* |
| | Item 7 | Action arising from the third session<br>- *Introduction and general discussion*<br>- *Informal consultations* |

p.m. Item 8 — Role and activities of the Commission regarding the coordination of science and technology for development

- Introduction and general discussion
- *Informal consultations*

Thursday, 20 May

a.m. Item 9 — Election of the Chairperson and other officers for the fifth session of the Commission

- *Introduction and general discussion*
- *Informal consultations*

p.m. Item 10 — Provisional agenda and organization of work of the fifth session of the Commission

- *Introduction and general discussion*
- *Informal consultations*

Friday, 21 May

a.m. Item 11 — Informal consultations on all pending matters

p.m. Item 12 — Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fourth session

- *Closing of the session*